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BEARDSLEY IS ELECTED NEW HOCKEY LEADER

Star Defense Man is Chosen to Captain Skaters for Next Season

NO BASKETBALL CHOICE

Executive Council to Choose Court Leader Because of Deadlock

As a result of the captaincy elections held at Coach Prettyman's home last Friday night, Hulbert T. E. Beardsley, Jr., of Fanwood, N. J., will captain next year's hockey team. On account of the failure to elect a basketball leader for next year due to the tie vote which continued for 15 ballots, this captaincy will be decided by the Executive Council.

Beardsley's hockey career is probably the most astonishing of any Hamilton captain's. Up to the time he entered college he had never taken part in a hockey contest, although he had been interested in track while in high school.

During his first year at college he did not go out for hockey, but spent his time learning the game in the physical training classes, where he first became interested in the sport. After flunking out during his first year, "Bill" returned the next fall and succeeded in making his full numerals playing on the freshman team.

Last year Beardsley continued to show such great improvement that he succeeded in making all the trips as one of the first substitutes, and easily earned his letter.

This past season "Bill" has shown the finest brand of hockey of his career. His skating showed marked improvement over previous years and his offensive and defensive work made him a real asset to the team. His fighting spirit helped the team greatly in passing through such a successful season.

Too much credit cannot be given Beardsley for the hard fight he has made during his college course to win the captaincy.

The failure to elect a captain of basketball for the coming scholastic year will necessitate the formation of some plan to provide a leader. After the 12th ballot had resulted in a tie it was decided that three more ballots would be cast, and in case of a continued tie, the matter would be referred to the Executive Council for further consideration. Although no definite steps have been taken as yet it is expected that a dual captaincy will result or the balloting be continued until some decision is reached.

The list of voters is as follows: For hockey: Heyl, A. Browne, R. Browne, Scovel, Fuess, Beardsley, Ingalls, Mac Lean, Bald, Schneider. For basketball: Jacobsen, Rowley, Howk, Worboys, Thomas, Normile, Burns, Alison, Fisher, Leich.

CALENDAR

Monday

Instrumental Club rehearsal, 8.

Tuesday

Fraternity meetings.
Instrumental Club rehearsal, 9.

Wednesday

Glee Club rehearsal, 7:30.

Thursday

Choir practice, 7:45.
Instrumental Club rehearsal at 4:30.

Friday

Spring Recess begins, 4:30.
Musical Clubs concert, Gloversville.

TENNIS TEAM IS TO FACE HARD SCHEDULE

Outlook Is Bright for a Winning Team, with Six Veterans Back

With the return of all last year's letter men to college, prospects are exceptionally bright this year for a winning tennis team. The lack of experienced material has handicapped the team considerably for the past few years, but with six veterans from last year's team left, the racketeers should give a good account of themselves this spring.

Coach Prettyman will have besides Captain McGregor, Davenport, Reed, Ballard, and Warfield from last year and Fitzgerald and Warner will also make a bid for positions. Capt. Mc Gergor and Davenport, playing their last year in intercollegiate circles, are expected to account for nearly all their singles matches, and combining in the doubles should prove a powerful team, having played together for four years. Reed, Ballard and Warfield, with two years of intercollegiate competition behind them, should all account for a majority of their matches. Fitzgerald also showed up well last year. Warner, who played regularly two years ago, but who was ineligible last season, will be back this year, and is expected to make a strong comeback. The members of the team have been practicing in Utica throughout the winter, and participated in the Indoor Intercollegiate tournament at Cornell last month, so they should be in good shape for the opening of the outdoor season.

One of the stiffest schedules ever mapped out for a Hamilton tennis

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Unusual Exhibit Of Rare Books Is Now On Display At Library

Library Possesses Many Very Rare Books and Manuscripts—Collected and Put on Display for First Time by Professor Ibbotson—Valued at $25,000.

As the first of a series of exhibits planned by the Library, a collection of old books and manuscripts covering a wide period from antiquity to the nineteenth century is now to be seen in the main reading room and in the anteroom to the librarian's office in the Library building. The library possesses an unusual number of very rare books, whose total value is nearly $25,000. The various books are arranged to illustrate the evolution of book making, the first exhibits dating from 2000 B. C.

The earliest records were preserved on the so-called "cuneiform tablets." Writing was done by means of a wedge on cylinders of clay which were afterwards baked for preservation. On display are a contract for agricultural produce from Uma in Babylonia and a record of temple offerings with the seal of a king of Ur. The first of these is reputed to date from 2400 B. C., while the second is thought to be about 50 years later.

There are also in the collection of very early records two papyrus manuscripts written in Greek, one of them, which is nearly complete, is from the 19th year of Trajans' reign and is a business letter. The other, a fragment, dates from 81 A. D.

The next exhibits are of the 14th and 15th centuries, before the invention of printing from type. There is a fragmentary copy of the history of Robertus Remensis, and a very beautiful manuscript on vellum of the history and the ritual of the Teutonic Knights of Jerusalem. There also are unusual water color illustrations of costumes and insignia. The printing, done in an open, careful hand, is large and legible. Both German and Latin are used. Another exhibit is an example of early English, but the writing is practically illegible.

Early incunabula form the next books in the collection. The use of movable type in printing was discovered in 1455 by Gutenberg in the city of Mainz. The new art was rapidly spread throughout western Europe. "De Meditatione Cordis," printed in 1470 by Ulrich Zell of Cologne, a pupil of Gutenberg. Among the other incunabula on display is an example of the printing of Ratdolt of Venice. Ratdolt designed the first "black and white" initials and made very carefully aligned type.

A copy of Pliny's "Natural History" by Carollus of Parma is one of the most valuable books in the collection. The capital letters at the beginning of the chief divisions of the book are exquisitely done by hand in gold and colors, and the book is rub- In the exhibit the earliest example of this work is Johannes Gerson's ricated throughout. One of the most interesting of these books is Nicholas Stathan's book on English Law. The type is in imitation of the writing of the law clerks and is exceedingly difficult to read. Notes on the margins made by clerks show how closely their script was copied.

The most unusual book on display, however, dates from after the end of the incunabula period in 1516. It is said to be the "earliest polyglot of the scriptures." In columns are arranged Hebrew, Greek, Arabic, Chaldean and Latin versions of the Bible. There are three Latin texts given, and the marginal notes are in Latin. The volume was edited and published at the expense of Giustinian, Bishop of Nebbio, who labored 10 years on the work. The most interesting feature of the book is, however, a note attached to Psalms XIX, 4, containing the earliest known biography of Columbus. Columbus' explorations are explained as a fulfillment of the prophecy, "Their line is gone out thru all the earth." This biography is practically contemporary evidence on Columbus' life, and as such is tremendously valuable.

Various interesting books on travel in the Holy Land are also on display. They are accompanied by a number of wood-cuts. A copy of the first printed Greek anthology by Henricus Stephanus is one of the most valuable books in the exhibit.

Some early American books bring the collection up to the 19th century.

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MANY MEN FROM HILL TO HEAR NOTED SINGER

Through the efforts of Professor Shute, and through the courtesy of Miss Gertrude Curran of the Curran Concerts, Inc., of Utica, more than 50 men from the Hill will hear Madame Schumann-Heink from boxes at the Colonial Theater on Wednesday evening. Miss Curran has reserved all of the boxes in the theater for Hamilton men, and has arranged for their being secured at materially reduced rates. The demand for seats was so great, howeved, that the boxes were filled to capacity, and several seats in addition have been secured in the orchestra to take care of the number of men who are to attend.

Madame Schumann-Heink's recital in Utica is one of that series known as her "Golden Jubilee" tour of the United States, a tour that marks a fitting close to her 50 years of unexcelled singing and popularity, a tour that is the final curtain-call of one of the greatest singers of the past half century.

LONG TOUR PLANNED FOR MUSICAL CLUBS

Spring Trip to be Most Extensive Ever Attempted Here

This year's spring trip of the Musical Clubs will be by far the most extensive ever attempted by a Hamilton musical organization. The members of the clubs will spend practically the whole spring vacation traveling and entertaining, as the final concert is not scheduled until two days before the reopening of college.

Starting out on March 25, the clubs will make their first appearance at Gloversville that evening. This will be the first time that a Glee and Instrumental Club recital has been held in that vicinity. The concert will be held in the Armory in order to accommodate the large number expected to attend. The following day the clubs will make a jump to New London, Conn., where they will appear that evening in a concert at Connecticut State College. By special arrangement the Glee Club quartet will sing several Connecticut College songs, and will lead the undergraduates in singing their Alma Mater. The second week of the trip will be ushered in by a concert at Huntington, L. I., on Tuesday evening. Then on successive nights the musicians will appear in Yonkers, Brooklyn, New York and Southampton, L. I. The big event of the trip will be the concert at the Waldorf Astoria, New York City. A large number of alumni living in the metropolitan district are expected to attend. A feature of this concert will be a Hamilton Sing by the Glee Club, alumni and friends of the college.

The program to be offered on this tour, as announced by Leaders Whit-

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HOME DEBATERS WIN DECISION FROM WILLIAMS

Close Vote by Audience of 41-34 Decides Interesting Debate

TEAM LOSES AT WELLS

Girls Present More Normal Treatment of the Subject

Women's rights and women's place the political life of the nation were most interestingly and ably discussed in two debates on the subject participated in by Hamilton debaters last Friday evening. In the matter of decisions, the Hamilton debaters received an even break, winning from Wililams in the College Chapel by an audience vote of 41-34, and losing to Wells College at Aurora by an unanimous judicial decision.

The proposition for debate in both cases was formally stated as "Resolved, that the entrance of women into politics and public life is to be deplored." In the local debate Hamilton defended the negative side of this proposition and in the Wells debate, the affirmative. The debaters in the chapel were: for Hamilton, F. A. Ballard, E. P. Clark, P. H. Hays, '28, and R. D. Gage, '29, alternate; Wiiliams: M. Harris, '29, J. K. Reeves, '29, R. M. Hoffman, '27, and W. McKeane, '29, alternate. The out of town debaters for Hamilton: F. E. Mineka, '29, G. G. Tyler, '27, and A. K. Roberts, '28; for Wells, Misses Jane King, Gladys Swart and Sally Brown, all of the class of '28.

In the Wells debate the Hamilton speakers were confronted by an audience somewhat beyond their experience. Not over a dozen men were in the crowd that filled the chapel of the girls' college and consequently in such an atmosphere of feminine pulchritude and charm the Hill debaters were inspired to their best efforts. However, by a more normal interpretation of the proposition coupled with good deliver and argument the Wells debaters won the decision of the judges.

When the judges' decision was announced, the loyal Wells rooters crowded around the members of their team, embracing and kissing them. The losing team was unfortunately obliged to congratulate the winners in a less effusive manner.

Considerable humor, intentional and otherwise, marked the debate in the chapel with Williams. One learned the astounding fact that "all the great mothers of history have been women" and that at one time in Russia "women pulled the plows instead of horses."

Harris, a well-poised and deliberate speaker possessing an exquisitely modulated voice, opened the case for Williams. The affirmative attempted to show that most women are not in-

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Fencing Team Defeats Rome Prior To Intercollegiates

By conquering the Rome Fencers Club, 12-2, in an informal practice meet last Saturday afternoon in the local fencing room the Buff and Blue swordsmen added another win to the string of victories. The Rome club, an amateur club in the Central New York division of the Amateur Fencers League, was defeated easily, no one of the bouts being particularly close except in the epees. Lieut. Brouillette of the Rome aggregation won two bouts in the epees, the only bouts dropped by the local fencers. The Hill foils team went especially well and took all nine of their bouts.

Next Saturday the fencing team will meet the other four teams in the central division of the Intercollegiate League in the semi-finals at West Point. Of the five teams fencing in the semi-finals the two best teams in each weapon go to New York two weeks later to meet the teams from the other divisions in the finals. The teams Hamilton will meet at West Point are Cornell, Dartmouth, Ohio State and Army. These teams make up the stiffest competition the locals have met this season. The central division is by far the strongest division of the league and although the Hill team is strong this year they will have to display their best form at West Point to qualify in the finals.

If the fencers qualify at West Point they should give a very good account of themselves in the finals at New York, since the competition met at West Point should be nearly as strong as that met in New York.

Up to this time the local fencers have had quite a successful season, losing only to Cornell and winning from the Alumni, University of Pennsylvania, Columbia, and twice from Syracuse.

The first meet of the year was with the strong Alumni fencing team with the entire foils team which came within one touch of winning the Intercollegiate championship two years ago. The varsity nosed a win over this strong aggregation, 9-8.

In the second meet with Cornell the entire team seemed to be off form and fell easily before the Ithaca swordsmen, 12-5.

Syracuse met the Buff and Blue on the Hill in the third meet and lost by a 10-7 score.

In the next meet both Syracuse and Penn were met at Syracuse and the Hill fencers scored a fine victory, defeating both teams individually and winning the triangular meet on points 21-19-11. Syracuse was defeated 12-5 and Penn 9-8.

The last intercollegiate meet was in the local gymnasium with Columbia University. The fencers from the metropolis were downed rather easily by an 11-6 score.

—Hamilton Night will be celebrated on the evening of Thursday, Mar. 24, by a dinner at the University Club in Utica. President Ferry will be the principal speaker.

—The Arthur Whiting concert postponed from January will be given Monday evening, April 25.

PRIZE OFFERED FOR BEST STUDENT PLAY

For some time past the Charlatans have been desirous of stimulating interest in play writing among undergraduates. They have offered a key as a reward to anyone who would write a play that should be produced by them. The idea received the whole hearted backing of former members of the organization, and the following excerpt of a letter by Alexander Woollcott, '09, sets forth the ideas, rules and reward of a contest that will be open to all undergraduates:

"The first Charlatans hereby offer a prize of $75 for the best one-act play written by an undergraduate and acted by the Charlatans. The limitation is this—that the play must have this college as its background and, therefore, that its characters, real or imaginary, must be drawn from the college's own people—the students, the teachers, the faculty wives, the prom girls, et al.

"This is not a severe limitation. It would permit the young Oneida County Moliere to range from an historical study of the great bolt to Union a hundred years ago, for instance, down to a close-hand study of the 1927 youth who spends loosely and evilly the pennies his folks have had to pinch and scrape to send him. Your Moliere might turn his hand to a satirical comedy on the didoes and taboos of the rushing season. Or, as better men than he have done, he might borrow his plot and drench it in Hamilton atmosphere. The limitation will not bind him overmuch. It is affixed to the prize as a mild suggestion to the undergraduate writers that for once anyway, they try writing of something they know something of."

The contest will be open to competitors until April 18. At the end of this time the plays submitted will be given the men who are to act as judges. They shall decide upon the winner who will, upon the presentation of the play by the Charlatans at houseparty time, receive the $75 award and a Charlatan key. In the case of two plays being judged of equal merit, both plays will be presented and the audience allowed to vote for the winner.

MCKINNEY DEBATERS CHOSEN BY FACULTY

As a result of excellence in academic debate, the six seniors who will debate for the McKnney prize this spring have been chosen by election of the faculty. They are Comstock, King, Marquardt, Pickard, Swartwout and Tyler.

Although several propositions are under consideration, the Reading Committee has not decided what the subject for this year's contest will be. The debate falls on Wednesday evening, June 1, at 8 o'clock. The two cash prizes of $50 and $25 are furnished through a foundation of $1,500 by the late Charles McKinney of Bnghamton.

The rules state that notes may not be used in the debate. The award is made by a committee of five, not members of the faculty, and is announced at the close of the debate. The six men who are competing will choose sides 24 hours before the time set for the debate, and immediately prior to the debate they will draw lots for the order of speaking.

Mr. McKinney, the founder, was one of the alumni most interested in the benefits of public speaking, especially in the form of debate. He is also the donor of another sum of money which furnishes book prizes for excellence in declamation to members of the three under classes. This contest comes on the Friday afternoon of commencement week. The interest always shown in these two forms of oratorical contests is proof of their popularity.

NEW CHAPEL MONITORS SELECTED BY FACULTY

At the last faculty meeting the "Monitors" for the coming year were chosen by a vote of those present. The members of the class of 1928 assigned such honor were Kuck, Ostrander, Pitcher, Roberts, Kessler and Leich. Of these men, Kessler will record the choir attendance and Leich will act as a substitute. These men are at present under the tutelage of their predecessors and will assume full responsibility after the spring recess.

New York Choir Trip Acclaimed Great Success By Music Critics

"Lay late till one o'clock in the afternoon, not awakened until then—to my great joy—and so to the office and thence to hear the Hamilton College Choir, very good, and what amazed me most was that a college with only 500 students could find enough lads to be interested in cultural activities such as playing a play in Latin and having a choir of 55 voices or so." Thus runs the observaton of the renowned F. P. A. in commenting on the recent choir concert given at the Plymouth Theater Mar. 14.

According to Professor Paul A. Fancher, director of the choir, Alexander Woollcott, and Peggy Wood, the trip last week to Hudson and New York City was one of the most successful ever made. Peggy Wood, wife of John V. A. Weaver, '14, and a regular financial backer of the choir, agrees with Alexander Woollcott in pronouncing the organization "the best ever." The concensus of press opinion indicates that both the concert at Hudson and at the Plymouth Theater were enthusiastically received by appreciative audiences. "The greatest crowd that had ever attended the Presbyterian Church for any occasion was present," said the Hudson Daily Star after the Sunday concert. "Nine hundred people were crowded into every bit of available space, while fully 500 others had to be turned away for lack of room."

The New York concert, given on Monday, was at the Plymouth Theater at which "Iolanthe" is now playing. The stage was set throughout the program as in Act 2 of the stage production. At this recital many of the cast of the Pirates of Penzance company were present in the audience, which numbered about 1400.

Among the notables present at that concert were Will Irwin, Alexander Woollcott, Percy Hammond, Mr. and Mrs. Deems Taylor, F. P. A., Peggy Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Hopkins Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Norris, Paul Robson, Alfred Lunt, Lynn Fontanne, Pauline Lord, Margalo Gilmore, Arthur Hopkins, Alice Duer Miller, Lewis Levy, Frank Lord Wright, James Forbes, Sally Farnham, Neysa McMien, and Miles Farrow. Representatives of the Shubert Club of Stamford, Conn., and many professional musicians of New York were also there, as well as the usual large number of alumni.

The next appearance of the choir will be Monday, Apr. 9, when the Men's Club of the First Presbyterian Church of Utica brings the organizaton to Utica for an evening program.

—President Ferry addressed an audience Saturday evening at the dedication of the Baldwin High School, at Baldwin, L. I.

—Dean Fitch attended a meeting of the committee on final review of examination papers under the Board of Regents, held in Albany last Thursday.

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Frederick A. Ballard
News Editor

"WE TOLD YOU SO."

It is with perhaps pardonable pleasure that we regard the report of gate receipts for the past basketball season. Last December we decried the failure of the Executive Council to abolish admission charges for basketball games. The first contention in our argument at that time was that a ridiculously large amount of energy was expended to collect an absurdly small amount of money. The past season has, we believe, proved our contention.

Despite the fact that the price of admission was raised from fifty to seventy-five cents, there was no appreciable increase in the total receipts. Which is an excellent illustration of the economic principle, apparently unknown to the Council, that an increase of the individual charge does not necessarily mean an increase of the total receipts. A total of sixty-two dollars was collected at the seven home games, an average of less than nine dollars a game. At one game the receipts totalled seventy-five cents, the price of a single admission. In order to collect this amount of money, the entire expense and tape of tickets, ticket-seller, ticket-collector, vouchers, etc., was set in motion. At another game there were three paid admissions and at a third contest the receipts totalled three dollars. The Colgate game, with a gate of $27.50, accounted for almost half of the entire receipts of the season.

Aside, however, from the banality of collecting admission charges in basketball is the danger which seems bound to arise from charging admission in any sport. The main cause for the over-emphasis of college athletics lies in the gate receipts. A large gate means large salaries for high-priced prep school athletes who will attract greater crowds in order to furnish bigger gates for higher priced prep school athletes. This condition does not exist at Hamilton, but it does at more than one college in the country. If Hamilton is to continue several jumps ahead of the average small college, gate receipts should be abolished in order to rationalize athletics and restore them to their proper plane in undergraduate life. If athletics can be justified from an educational standpoint—and their continued existence must depend upon such justification—they should be paid for by the college. An endowment of $100,000 would probably provide the means for this step.

But aside from the question of abolishing all gate receipts at Hamilton, the Executive Council failed last fall to drive the opening wedge by abolishing basketball receipts. In a few weeks the baseball season will commence. Last year a total of forty dollars was taken in at baseball games, excepting the house-party game. It is true that one hundred and forty-five dollars was collected at the house party game, but this money obviously came from undergraduates, the very ones whom admission charges are supposed to help.

The Executive Council passed up its first opportunity to take the initial step toward rationalizing athletics. It will be interesting to see what action will be taken when the second opportunity is presented.

A UNION CLUB

The time has passed, we believe when the Trustees may continue to disregard the social needs of the undergraduates of the college as a whole. The large group of men at present unaffiliated with any fraternity have no opportunity for social recreation except that provided by their too often unattractive dormitory rooms. That it is the duty of the Board of Trustees to make some provision for such social life seems to us obvious.

The necessity, however, for a Union Club extends beyond the needs of the neutral body. If the walls between fraternities are ever to be broken down, it must be accomplished by providign some common meeting ground, where men may mingle free from the restraining influences of being forced to play either host or guest. Regardless of what may be said against rowing and banquet season, it is certain that these events tended to develop a mutual feeling of respect and friendship. To date nothing has supplanted these traditional means of breaking down cowrd barriers. The responsibility for providing a substitute rests with those who, either directly or indirectly, removed the orginal methods.

Two methods of supplying this need seem open. The first is the construction of a new Union Building. There should be nothing cheap, nothing tawdry about the affair. The experiment of using Club Rooms in North College several years ago proved that anything which fails to measure up to the standard of comfort set by the average fraternity house is doomed to failure. In conjunction with the College Inn, the Union Building might well provide several lounging rooms, a reading room equipped with some current magazines, recreation rooms and dorm rooms for transient visitors. Such a building would, and should, cost considerable. But despite the novelty of the thought, we believe it far more important to the well-being of Hamilton College than a new Gym.

Another, and probably more practical plan, which would serve as at least a temporary expedient, is the rather thorough renovation of the Y. M. C. A. Redecoration, a good victrola, a suitable piano, and above all, some presentable furniture would provide adequate, although, we trust, temporary, club rooms which would serve for the entire college.

Regardless of what solution is adopted, the need for some definite remedy exists. The fulfillment of this need rests with the trustees.

PRIZE ESSAYS ARE DUE RIGHT AFTER RECESS

All essays and orations competing for prizes at commencement, with the exception of the writing for the William Duncan Saunders Prize Competition, will be due at the President's office before noon of April 9. This date is the Saturday following the Easter recess, as has been customary in former years. The time limit in the Saunders Competition has been extended two months beyond the date previously set, material for that competition not being due until May 25.

Material due on April 9 comprises Clark, Pruyn, Head and Kirkland orations as well as Soper Theses, the Kellogg Esasys for the three lower classes, the Cobb Essays, and Hut-Kellogg Essays for the three lower tions were assigned last year and appear in the current edition of the Bulletin which was published in December.

The prize of $200, in memory of William Duncan Saunders, offered by Mrs. Edward Wales Root and Alexander Woollcott, was awarded for the first time last year and is to go for five consecutive years to the undergraduate who submits the best piece of English writing composed during the year. This competition is open to all undergraduates in attendance at college during the year of the award.

The judging committee, of which Professor Robert Barnes Rudd is chairman, is composed of Mr. Edward Wales Root and Professor Paul A. Fancher. The first award of the committee went to John K. Hutchens, '26, for a short story.

THE FORUM

To the Editor of Hamilton Life:

There is a strongly-felt lack of current fiction at Hamilton that should be remedied. It is generally recognized that to be well-read, to be able to converse freely, to be cultured, it is necessary to read certain books of present-day fiction. But it is almost impossible for a student to secure these books. The College Library makes no attempt to keep up with the flood of new books, and consequently such books must be either bought or borrowed. A glance through the book shelves of the students will show that very few books are purchased. If Hamilton is to turn out cultured men this want of up-to-date books must be supplied.

There is a plan now in operation at Brown University that might solve the difficulty if put into use at Hamilton. The Brown student store maintains a circulation library and guarantees to have on its shelves within 24 hours any book of current literature that a student requests. The only charge is a reasonable rent on the book.

While perhaps quite so elaborate a plan is not suitable to conditions at Hamilton, it is certainly worth consideration. A system might be worked out that would permit the College Store to run a circulating library, keeping a fair number of the better books of current fiction. A committee of students under faculty supervision might be permitted to select the books. When a book is no longer in much demand, it might be sold to a student for his personal library, or it might be turned over to the College Library for future use.

At least some plan ought to be devised so that current books would be made available to Hamilton men.

F. N. D., '30.

PROPOSAL IS MADE TO START LACROSSE HERE

A feeling for a long time existent in the undergraduate body, that there was a place at Hamilton for another spring sport, that of lacrosse, culminated last Monday in a meeting of interested students. A group, consisting of 36 men, 12 of whom had played on high or prep school teams, reported at the meeting. The fact that 8 of these 12 were freshmen, and that several of these had captained their prep school teams, made prospects for future years rather bright.

The leaders of the movement have for some time been considering the possibility of such a sport "taking" at Hamilton. They realized the lack of representation of Hamilton in a sport in which practically all of the colelges which it meets in athletics are represented. Then, also, the fact that lacrosse is the "coming sport" is borne out by the number of colleges that are making it a major sport, and the number of high and prep schools that are taking it up. The increasing numbers of men now coming to Hamilton with a knowledge of the sport will find a chance to further display their skill in the game. Hamilton's aim, "a sport for every man," will also come nearer materialization.

The candidates will be considerably handicapped at first, as lacrosse will be purely the offspring of undergraduate opinion and initiative, and not a recognized college sport. However, there is every indication that next year will see its recognition and organization into a varsity sport.

Regular practice will not be called until after spring vacation, but in the meantime, many of the prospective players are taking advantage of the excellent weather conditions to get in a little impromptu practice. Prof. Patton, who has had some experience in lacrosse, will probably coach the team.

No games have as yet been arranged for the team, and the possibility of contests being arranged this season is very doubtful. According to Mr. Prettyman, there is every likelihood that funds would be appropriated for the team next year if sufficient interest were shown in the sport to warrant it, but it would be impossible to secure any money this year as the athletic budget for the current season was made out last year.

ALUMNI GAIN SUCCESS IN HARVARD DEBATING

From Harvard Law School comes a report of the success of Hamilton alumni now studying there. The Sanford Club, five of whose eight members are Thompson, '24, Toaz, '25, Burke, '25, Sessions, '25, and Gualtieri, '25, has reached the semi-finals in the Ames Competition, the only debating contest in the Law School. This competition is very highly regarded by everyone in the 30 or 40 clubs contesting. The Sanford Club has won all arguments by a 2-1 decision on presentation.

These men give much credit for their success to Hamilton's Public Speaking Department, particularly stressing the immediate practicability of the chapel exercises.

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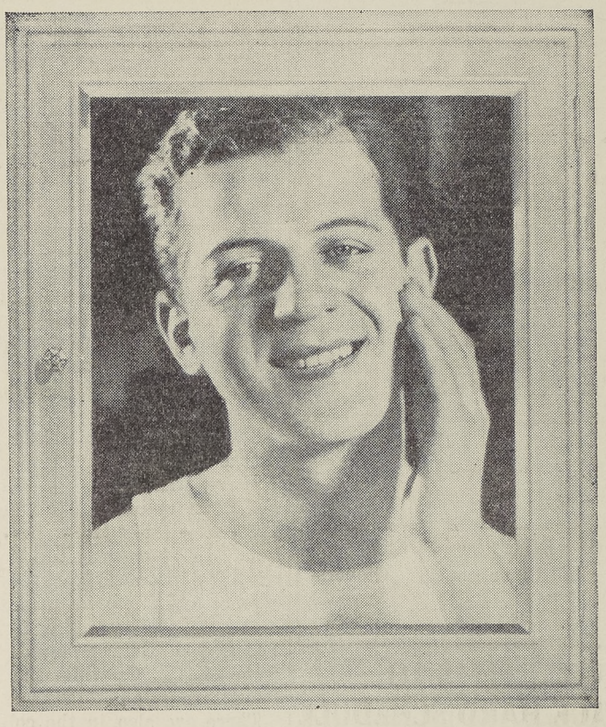

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There May Be Something in This

Dear Carp:

In re: Neutral Question. Why, in signing the No Deal Agreement and in other cases where crowds are arrayed in order of their founding, are the Neutrals placed last? They were here even before the Sigs.

INTREPID ALUMNUS.

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This week's award goes to M. John Kirby, who reported two hours of skiing, one for Feb. 28 and one for Feb. 29.

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EXPLAINED

Following an old Hamilton athletic tradition, the Choir refused to make any records on their recent trip to New York. Mr. Victor is under medical treatment following the shock. The rumor that Otto Kahn has turned his singers over to Ziegfeld and made the Choir an outright gift of the Metropolitan Opera House is still unsubstantiated.

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EXCELSIOR

(or, There Ain't No Justice)

Now up the Hill
At break of day
Gaunt Brownie plugs
His breathless way.
While 'cross the fields
In lazy mirth
Hambonham totes
His ample girth.

BONX.

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"HOW LONG" WOULD BE MORE TO THE POINT

Dear Carp:

Some wise guy in last week's **Life** wanted to know what the pedestal in front of Sigma Phi Place is the remains of. May I ask what the pile of ashes, tin cans, and garbage in back of Sigma Phi Place are the remains of and why?

P. U. S. H.

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Concerning This New Tradition

I warn ye, student rabble,
You must enter into Chapel
Before the bell stops ringing in the morn;
Then don't be cross and surly
But get religion early—
Before the bell stops ringing in the morn.

There'll be a grand proscription,
I have exact description
Of those who are retarded on the way.
For Sherlock Holmes just wrote us,
A fact that missed our notice,
The same men are delinquent every day.

Now God is very busy
And it sometimes makes Him dizzy
To think of all His work, and then to wait
For a thoughtless and imprudent
Procrastinating student,
Who doesn't come 'till seven after eight.

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"Although I don't like to mention any names," Prexy is quoted as saying, "I don't see any reason why Shorty ("Legs") Lyon should be late to chapel every morning." While Shorty ("Legs") in turn is quoted as saying, "I don't see any reason why I should go to Chapel every morning. How about some Theta Delt markers?"

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CARPE'S OWN "ASK ME ANOTHER" CONTEST

Questions

1. When was the Teutonic massacre of the French begun?
2. When did Hamilton College cease to be an institution for Wild Indians?
3. Give two of the better known pseudonyms for Hamilton College?
4. Which member of the Faculty got his nickname from Kipling?
5. When was Patton last known to cut?

Answers

1. Mr. Bachmann came to Hamilton in 1925.
2. Ask Burton, he knows.
3. (a) "this **%lb&@|:;!?- institution"; (b) "Kirkland's Monastery."
4. "Fuzzy-Wuzzy" Beale.
5. Some time before the Flood.

LOCKO.

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Ode to My Chapel Marker—8:06 a. m.

Woe the dwadling laggard
From playing or studies haggard!
Split no more seconds; come punctually!
Race! Fight the glad fight! Yes, actually,
To tempt the tardy tradition
Is to court dinks and perdition.
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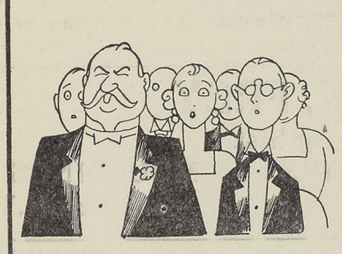

It was the "big moment" in the play. The suspense was terrific. "At last, my proud beauty, I have you in my power" . . . the villain snarled. "I am going to . . ."

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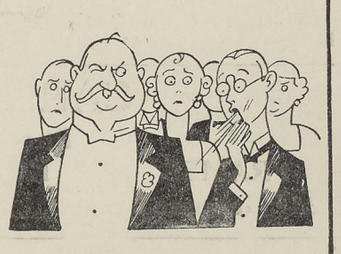

Just then Clarence started to *cough*. Great Guns! How he coughed. He couldn't stop; his throat tickled so.

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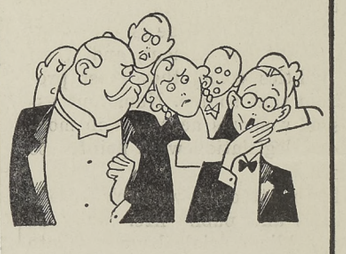

"Put him out" . . . someone yelled. If looks could kill, Clarence would have been murdered by fifty people around him.

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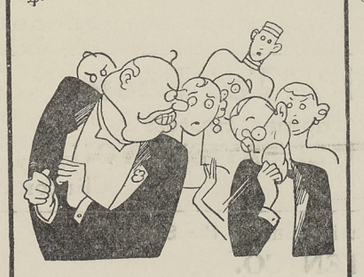

The curses of the villain were drowned by the "cussing" of Clarence. But what could the poor fellow do! When a man's throat tickles . . . he's *gotta* cough!

5.

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Prospects Are Bright, with Only One Position to Fill

With the drawing to a close of winter sports and with the outlook bright for an early spring, Coach Mc Bride has begun to muster together his baseball material in anticipation of a hard season. The battery men have been called out for practice and a call for the rest of last year's squad will probably be made within a few days. Freshmen will not be summoned until weather conditions allow outdoor practice.

Coach McBride is laying great stress upon batting, which was the weak spot in last year's diamond squad. Several new devices to perfect the batting eyes of the team are being tried out, and it is hoped that there will be no weakness in the hitting ability of this year's team.

The most outstanding competitors for the pitching staff will probably be Donohue and Knox, with Cranston also entering the struggle. Morris, who two years ago gave promise of being one of the best pitchers the Buff and Blue had ever possessed, has been suffering from a bad shoulder, but is expected to report for practice in a few days.

In the catching department, Chatfield, star performer on last year's team, will have first choice, while Tolles and Stevens will fight it out for second. The majority of the places will probably be held down by veterans. With old-timers such as Worboys at first, Capt. MacLean at second, Warren at the hot corner, and Church at short, King at center field, and F. Pierce at right, there will be little chance for newcomers to break in. Left field, occupied last year by Capt. Courteau, is the only position without a claimant.

HOME DEBATERS WIN FROM WILLIAMS

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terested in politics, that politics and public life are illogical fields for women, and that their records thus far do not justify their continued presence there.

Ballard in an interesting fashion pointed out the numerous conflicting statements ordinarily presented to the disfavor of the women's cause. He defined public life in the question as including everying outside of domestic life.

Reeves attempted in vain to show that the burden of proof rested on the negative in this question. He discussed the fact that woman has always been in the capacity of man's helpmate and maintained that "chaperonage is more important than suffrage."

Clark, for Hamilton, outlined the great influence of women in the past and predicted much greater influence in the future. The home is the foundation of the government, and when better politics come, they must proceed from that source. Numerous examples of women's activities in modern social legislation were pointed to with pride.

Hoffman attacked woman's record in politics and public life. Many of women public officials have got into office on the "reflected glory of their husbands." Of our two women governors, Mrs. Ferguson was a failure and Mrs. Ross a colorless figurehead. Both failed of re-lection.

Because the plan of debate precluded refutation speeches, Hays was obliged to combine both constructive and destructive argument in his speech. He demonstrated that the burden of proof rested on the affirmative and that to prove their case the affirmative should use examples other than the unusual and the sensational.

Harris concluded the debate with a five minute speech which confined itself largely to a denial of the negative's arguments. The audience's vote in favor of Hamilton was evidently influenced by superior argument ratheir than by superior delivery.

President Ferry presided at the local debate and President Macmillan of Wells presided at Aurora.

TENNIS TEAM IS TO FACE HARD SCHEDULE

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team is ahead of the court stars this year. Feature matches on the schedule are those with Cornell at Ithaca on May 7, with Union at Clinton on May 13, and with Williams at Williamstown on May 21.

The complete schedule, subject to the approval of the Executive Council, is as follows:

May 4, Colgate at Clinton.
May 7, Cornell at Ithaca.
May 11, Colgate at Hamilton.
May 13, Union at Clinton.
May 17, Middlebury at Clinton.
May 18, Syracuse at Syracuse.
May 20, Union at Schenectady.
May 21. Williams at Williamstown (tentative).
May 25, Syracuse at Clinton.
May 28, Springfield at Clinton.

EMPLOYEE OF COLLEGE ENDS LIFE BY HANGING

Commons Worker Is Suicide—Grows Despondent over Ill Health

Probably due to despondency over his frail health, William J. Haines, a college employee at the Hall of Commons, took his own life by hanging in the basement of Commons last Saturday. The tragedy was discovered by his wife who on calling him for lunch found his body prostrate on the floor where it had fallen after the frail cord which he used had broken.

The news came as a great shock to all who knew him, as he appeared as bright and cheerful as ever as breakfast. Mr. Haines had worked faithfully all morning and was last seen going to the potato cellar, where he hanged himself to a great spike driven into the wall. At the time of discovery, life had been gone for about two hours, it is believed. The body was removed to his home on Utica Street, Clinton, where an inquest was held.

Mr. Haines was one of Manager Danford's most loyal workers. He was a man 53 years of age and leaves to mourn his loss, besides his wife, a daughter, Mrs. Jerome Petrie of Clinton.

LONG TOUR PLANNED FOR MUSICAL CLUBS

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beck and Preston, will be practically the same as presented in the opening concert of the season in Utica. The negro spirituals which received such applause from the Utica audience will be a feature on the Eastern trip. The program will open with "Steersman, Leave the Watch," from Wagner's "Flying Dutchman." The novelty acts, instituted for the first time this year, will be included with a few slight changes from their original presentation. The quartet, which was so popular, will again do its share in making the concerts successful.

Since the initial appearance of the year, the musical clubs have been the recipients of numerous compliments. The members of the faculty of the Utica Conservatory of Music, and people high in the musical circles of Utica have been unstinted in their praise of Leaders Whitbeck and Preston, and their men.

A cut has been recently made in the personnel of the clubs. The following are the men who will make the spring trip:

Glee Club

First Tenor: Brockway, Lee, Donaldson, '28; Calkins, Chacona, '29; Billings, Delahunt, '30.

Second Tenor: Ferris, '27; Heyl, Strong, Warren, '28; Montgomery, Sherman, '29; Carpenter, Shepherd, Stevens, '30.

First Bass: Forshay, '27; Bennett, Wylie, '28; Gage, '29; Elliot, Holroyd, '30.

Second Bass: Goodwin, Browne, Groff, '27; Jewell, '28; Eddy, Wiggins, '29; Dillenbeck, '30.

Instrumental Club

Piano, Green, '29; Violin, Carpenter, '30; Saxaphones, Brockway, '28, Sherman, '29; Banjos, Elliott, Stevens, '30; Cornets, Preston, '27, Warren, '28; Trombones, Ferris, '27, Billings, '30; Bass Horns, Gage, '29, Holroyd, '30; Drums, Hynes, '29.

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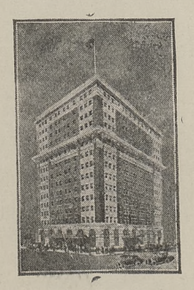

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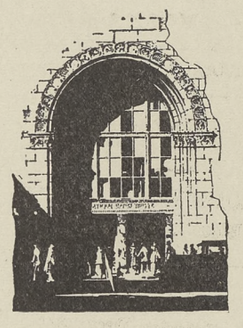

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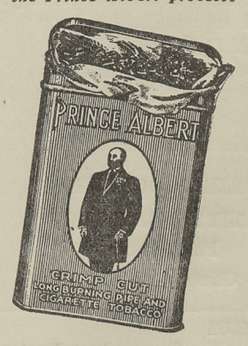

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